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This is in response to the Office Action mailed this last March 23,

00. A response was due this last June 23, 00. A one-month extension of time is hereby requested to make the present response due on July 24, 00 (July 23 being a Sunday). A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed in payment of the extension fee. It is believed that no other fee is due at this time. However, if any such fee is due, please charge this to Deposit Account No. 08-3260.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (amended) A protection and deflection apparatus that is adapted to be mounted in an operating position adjacent to a propeller section of a boat, the propeller section having a propeller blade portion having an axis of rotation and an outer circumferential path of rotation along which tip portions of the propeller